

ENZI, who sponsored the Senate companion bill. And again, I would like to thank Senators HARKIN and ALEXANDER for their work on this issue in the HELP Committee.

All of these bills were worked out with Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PITTS, and Mr. UPTON. I appreciate their cooperation and contributions, and I am pleased to support all five of these bipartisan measures and urge my colleagues to do the same.

Finally, I want to acknowledge the hard work of staff on both sides of the aisle, and to commend them for their work on these bills, I particularly want to recognize Anne Morris Reid, our lead public health staffer, who has moved on to a job in the Senate, but leaves the House with an impressive record of accomplishment.

HONORING ST. HELENA PUBLIC LIBRARY

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 30, 2014

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the St. Helena Public Library as it has been awarded second place in the Library Journal's 2014 edition of their "Best Small Library in America" contest. This award, which is funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, recognizes libraries across our country that serve a population of less than 25,000 and yet, still offer outstanding and comprehensive services to the public. St. Helena Public Library is the first library in California to be honored with this award.

St. Helena Public Library has made a concerted effort in recent years to ensure that they are providing the services that our community needs most. In doing so, they have developed new programs and practices in order to better serve the older adult and Spanish-speaking populations in our St. Helena community. For example, St. Helena Public Library now offers classes on general computer skills and social media in addition to offering technical support for personal electronic devices. Furthermore, the library has increased their Spanish language materials and has developed a Spanish website, Facebook page and e-newsletter. In an effort to build connections between the Spanish and English speaking communities the library sponsored a salsa making contest, which was a smashing success. The library also demonstrates a steadfast commitment to fostering a love of reading in our children. I've seen first-hand with my granddaughter the library's outstanding programs for children and how they have worked successfully to enhance our children's ability and desire to read.

Mr. Speaker, it is important that we recognize the St. Helena Public Library for all they do to provide our community with access to knowledge and information. On behalf of a grateful community, we honor and thank the St. Helena Public Library today.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 30, 2014

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, on June 26, 2014, I incorrectly voted "no" on the motion to recommit for H.R. 4899 (rollcall vote 367). This was a mistake. I wanted to vote "yes" on the motion to recommit for H.R. 4899 and the record should reflect my intent.

CONGRESSIONAL RECOGNITION FOR RICHARD WHITE, AMERICAN RED CROSS, SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER

HON. RON BARBER

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 30, 2014

Mr. BARBER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Richard White, regional Chief Executive Officer of the American Red Cross, Southern Arizona Chapter upon his retirement after 14 years of service.

Richard came to the local chapter of the Red Cross in 2000 after nine years with the United Way of Tucson and immediately made an impact on the success of the entire organization. When the tragic events of September 11, 2001 happened in New York City, Richard provided his expertise in communications and emergency management. He also was instrumental in improving the financial standing of the local chapter of the Red Cross.

The local Red Cross chapter serves 23,000 square miles in five Arizona counties—Pima, Cochise, Santa Cruz, Graham and Greenlee. It also serves three Native American reservations—Tohono O'odham, San Carlos Apache and Pascua Yaqui nations. The chapter responds to a local emergency nearly every 46 hours; serves more than 700 displaced people, most of them children, and their pets annually; trains more than 24,000 people annually in lifesaving skills; and assists nearly 1,000 refugees each year.

Under Richard's leadership, the local chapter also has successfully organized itself to be a significant resource for the many armed forces and veterans in my district and across Southern Arizona by providing crisis intervention, referral and direct assistance programs. Recently, the Veterans Administration awarded the Southern Arizona Chapter a \$1 million Supportive Services for Veteran Families grant to provide benefits to very low-income veteran families living in—or transitioning to—permanent housing. The range of services offered under the grant include financial assistance on behalf of veterans for rent payments, utility payments, security deposits and moving costs, as well as other services in the community.

In 2010, when the Southern Arizona Chapter moved into its new offices, Richard took the initiative to go "green" by incorporating solar power and was the first American Red Cross chapter nationally to do so. They currently generate approximately 80 percent of their energy needs from a 40 KW solar array, saving approximately \$160,000 in operating costs annually.

We will miss Richard's commitment and dedication, but know he has helped form a Red Cross chapter that is ready and able to respond to any emergency or community need.

TRIBUTE TO DR. FREDRICK M.G. EVANS

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 30, 2014

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a loyal South Carolinian, Dr. Fredrick M.G. Evans, who has dedicated his career to public service in South Carolina.

In addition to his extensive career in education, he has served as a reserve law enforcement officer in Orangeburg County since 2008. Dr. Evans was recently awarded, on his 53rd birthday, the National Sheriffs' Association Certificate of Merit for his work with the Orangeburg County Police Department. During his time with the department, Dr. Evans has documented 5,500 hours of law enforcement duty ranging from direct patrol, to Reserve Investigator, and security detail.

Dr. Evans received his undergraduate degree from Clark Atlanta University and a Masters Degree from the University of South Carolina in secondary education. He continued his education and received an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership from the University of Sarasota. Dr. Evans has been a positive and productive citizen of South Carolina for decades.

As a lifelong member of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity, a brotherhood that we share, Dr. Evans continues to work with students at South Carolina State University as Dean of the School of Graduate Studies.

Dr. Evans was recognized in 2009 as the Orangeburg County Sheriff's Office Reserve Deputy of the Year, and in March 2011, he was promoted to Lieutenant of the Reserve Deputy Sheriffs.

National Sheriffs' Association Executive Director Aaron Kennard said about Dr. Evans, "we feel that his valuable contributions to his community and to the field of criminal justice and law enforcement should be commended."

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in congratulating Dr. Fredrick M.G. Evans upon this receipt of his outstanding award from the National Sheriffs' Association and for his years of distinguished service at South Carolina State University. His dedicated commitment to his community and his profession is exemplary, and his contributions are incalculable.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TOM COLE

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 30, 2014

Mr. COLE. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and was not present for rollcall vote No. 368. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on final passage of H.R. 4899, the Lowering Gasoline Prices to Fuel an America That Works Act of 2014.